

Community Resources

Collaborative Effort by the Capital Area Workforce System CAWS II Committee

<http://mtjobline.mt.gov>

Employment & Training

Career Training Institute (CTI), 347

N Last Chance Gulch;

(406) 443-0800; www.CTIBRC.org

The Career Training Institute provides employment and training programs. Special target groups include economically disadvantaged individuals, displaced homemakers (men and women) faced with multiple barriers to employment, two-parent households, and single parents. CTI provides services through programs including Workforce Investment Act – youth and adult job training, WORC program, Individual Development Account and United Way projects. The Business Resource Center (BRC) at CTI provides one-on-one counseling, networking opportunities and training to start-up and existing businesses and interested individuals. Examples of training include QuickBooks, Marketing, and Business Office Specialist Certification.

Helena Industries, Inc., 1325 Helena Ave.; (406) 442-8632

Providing both sheltered and community employment opportunities for people with disabilities.

Experience Works, Helena; 715

Front St., (406) 447-3204 or 447-3211; www.experienceworks.org

Assists low-income seniors, 55 and older, in receiving training & work experience to find a job in the community.

Montana United Indian Association (MUIA); (406) 443-5350

MUIA is a non-profit organization that provides classroom training, supportive services, GED and job developing.

Helena Job Service Workforce Center, 715 Front St.; (406) 447-3200

This Center offers many employment and referral services at no cost. This includes job matching, job postings, state application class, labor market information, employment counseling, and adult job-training programs.

- Workforce Investment Act (WIA)

Federally funded programs designed to meet the employment and training needs of dislocated workers and other eligible adults. All services are free and may include job search, relocation assistance, skill assessment, supportive services and job retraining.

Job Corps; 1-800-733-JOBS

Program offering free hands-on career, technical training, and education for at promise students 16-24 years old. Services include career training in over 30 fields, GED and H.S. Diploma, a college program, driver's ed., meals, housing, medical, dental, and placement assistance.

Montana Vocational Rehabilitation (MVR), 3075 N. Montana Ave.; (406) 444-1710

Montana Vocational Rehabilitation (MVR) has a mission of promoting work and independence for Montanans with disabilities. We have an individualized program designed specifically to assist people with disabilities enter and maintain employment. We can help through providing training, job modification, technical assistance, counseling, or various other products or services to meet the rehabilitation needs of our consumers to help them enter and maintain employment.

Rural Employment Opportunities, (406) 431-8842 or 1-800-546-1140

REO is a non-profit corporation, which operates programs and services aimed at assisting migrant and seasonal farm workers in preparing and re-training for permanent, full-time careers.

U.S. Department of Labor Vets,

(406) 841-2006

We provide veterans and transitioning service members with the resources and services to succeed in the 21st century workforce.

Veterans Voc Rehab, 3633 Veterans Drive; (406) 495-2011

Vocational Rehabilitation Services for Service Connected Disabled Veterans.

Education

Adult Learning Center

815 Front Street – Front Street Learning Center; (406)324-2118

Provides Adult and Literacy education throughout the year. Day and evening classes are available for GED, College Brush Up and Literacy training.

University of Montana-Helena

College of Technology, 1115 North Roberts, (406) 444-6800 or 1-800-241-4882; www.umhelena.edu

A responsive regional center of technical and academic education.

Educational Opportunity Center (EOC), 715 Front St., (406) 447-3234

EOC is a federally funded program designed to increase education opportunities for adults by providing information regarding financial aid,

college admissions and career exploration.

Job Corps; 1-800-733-JOBS

GED, H.S. Diploma, and a college program. See *Employment and Training* for Description.

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Basic Needs

BSAFE, 616 Helena Ave. Suite 100;
(406) 442-9830 Ext. 23;

www.mtbsafe.org

Helping Low-income survivors of domestic violence save and buy a house, go to school, or expand their business.

Big Brothers, Big Sisters, 30 West
6th Ave.; (406) 442-7479;

www.bbbs-helena.org

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Helena (BBBSH) is a private, non-profit direct service organization dedicated to providing positive, caring role-models for children from single parent households. BBBSH is a prevention program targeting children ages 5-14 who are at-risk for engaging in damaging behavior such as drug and/or alcohol use and abuse, school drop-out, and early pregnancy.

Children's Health Insurance
Plan (CHIP)

877-543-7669 1-877-KidsNow;

www.chip.mt.gov

Providing free or low-cost health insurance for children who are not eligible for Medicaid and cannot afford other insurance.

Good Samaritan Ministries and
Thrift Store, (406) 442-0780

Provides shelter and general assistance. The thrift store sells or gives out clothing, furniture, and household items. Donations and sales at the thrift store are used in the assistance program for the benefit of those who live in the Helena area.

Montana Credit Unions for
Community Development,
(406) 442-9081

Financial education, free tax filing services, and asset-building opportunities.

Helena Housing Authority, 812
Abbey St, Helena; (406) 442-7970

Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher information for Helena and the surrounding area. Orientation meetings held Tuesdays at 2:00 pm or Thursdays at 10:00 am at the HHA office. Or find information on our website: www.hhamt.org.

Montana Legal Services, 616
Helena Ave. Suite 100;

1-800-666-6899; www.mtlsa.org

Free civil legal services in the area of family law, consumer matters, landlord/tenant, Indian Law, social security disability and more.

Tumbleweed Runaway Program,

316 N Park; (406) 444-2717;

www.tumbleweedprogram.org

Our mission is to assist youth in foster care in the difficult transition of living independently when they "age out" of care. We provide supportive services, life skills, and financial assistance with education, employment, housing, etc. Tumbleweed serves youth 16 and older who are in foster care throughout the state of Montana. They are eligible for our services up to age 21.

YWCA, 501, N Park Ave;
(406) 442-8774

Providing affordable housing for single women in downtown Helena

Other Important Phone Numbers

Office of Public Assistance (OPA)	406-444-1700
Gods Love	406-442-7000
Lewis and Clark Library	406-447-1690
Center 4 Mental Health	406-443-3420/443-7151
MRC Employment Services	406-410-1599
Friendship Center - 1503 Gallatin	406-442-6800
Childcare Partnerships	406-443-4608
Boyd Andrew Community Services	406-443-2343
Low-Income Energy Assistance	406-447-1625
Unemployment Insurance	406-444-2545
Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC)	406-457-8912
Alien Labor Certification	406-444-3480
Helena Food Share	406-443-3663